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## **Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks**

This correspondence is in response to the "Request for Complete Office Action and Restart of Response Time", filed 1/28/02. The "Request for Complete Office Action and Restart of Response Time" was received 2 months after the mail date of the Office Action (mailed 1/28/01). In the Request, Applicant stated that the foreign reference Fuldner et al, EP No. 0441129 had not been provided, requested a copy of the reference and requested the time for response to be reset.

However, the foreign reference "Fuldner et al, EP No. 0 441 129 A1, Aug. 1991", was actually cited to the Patent Office in the IDS statement, filed 4/4/01. Since Applicant provided the Fuldner reference to the Patent Office, Applicant should have access to this reference, therefore no copy of Fuldner will be provided. Further, since there was no error by the Patent Office in mailing a copy of the Fuldner reference, the time for response will not be reset.

Inclosed is a copy of the IDS statement (form PTO-1449) provided by Applicant on 4/4/01.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to William C. Spencer whose telephone number is (703) 306-5842.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Steve Saras can be reached on (703) 305-9720.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the Technology Center 2600 Customer Service Office whose telphone number is (703) 306-0377.

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